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Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 30735-00004USPT Filing Date Examiner Application No. Art Unit 3679 10/696050-Conf. #5827 October 29, 2003 E. K. Nicholson Applicant(s): Alan Powers et al. Invention: IMPROVED THREAD FOR PIPE JOINT TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in response to First Office Action in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number After Previously Extra Claims Amendment Paid Present Rate **Total Claims** 20 X Independent 3 = X Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Extension for response within third month 510.00 Other fee (please specify): 510.00 TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: x Small Entity Large Entity No additional fee is required for this amendment. 10-0447 510.00 × Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. 10-0447 | X | The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Credit any overpayment. Charge any additional fling or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Dated: June 30, 2005 Ross T. Robinson Attorney Reg. No.: 47,031 JENKENS & GILCHRIST, A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 3200 Dallas, Texas 75202 (214) 965-7300 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mali, in an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Con missioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date shown below.

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